



# The Catholic Center

Serving the Athens and University of Georgia  
Communities Since 1952.



## ALL ARE WELCOME

### Mass Intentions

- Saturday**  
5PM - Monika & Bernd Hermeyer †
- Sunday**  
8AM - Michael King †  
10:30AM - Ramona Herrera † & Eva Herrera †  
12:30PM - All CC Members  
5PM - All Students, faculty and staff at UGA
- Monday**  
5:30PM - Paul Merritt
- Tuesday**  
5:30PM - Ranella Merritt
- Wednesday**  
5:30PM - Yvonne Choubah †
- Thursday**  
5:30PM - Women's Bible Study
- Friday**  
8AM - All Members of the Catholic Center

### Red Cross Blood Drive

**BLOOD DRIVE MONDAY**  
**January 13th**

The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive at the Catholic Center on Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30PM to 7:00PM. There is a critical need for blood donors. Please consider donating because one pint can potentially save three lives. Sign up online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) using sponsor code: **UGACC** or call Sister Uyen-Chi or Jenni at 706-543-2293.



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### Liturgical Schedule

**Mass:** Saturday: 5PM  
Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM, 12:30PM, 5PM  
Mon-Thurs: 5:30PM  
Fri: 8AM

**Adoration:** Mon-Thurs: 9AM  
Fri: 8:30AM

**Confession:** Wednesday: 4-5 PM  
Saturday: 3:30-4:30PM  
PM

January 5, 2025 • The Epiphany of the Lord

## Weekly Calendar

- Saturday 1/4**  
3:30 PM Reconciliation  
5PM Mass
- Sunday 1/5**  
Knights of Columbus Donut Ministry  
8AM Mass  
9:30AM Baptism Prep Class  
10:30 AM Mass  
12:30AM Mass  
5PM Mass
- Monday 1/6**  
UGA Classes begin  
10AM Men's Bible Study
- Tuesday 1/7**  
12PM CC Staff Meeting  
5:30PM Mass  
8PM Ablaze
- Wednesday 1/8**  
10AM Mom's & Tots  
4PM Reconciliation  
6:15PM Religious Education  
8PM Ignite

**Thursday 1/9**  
10AM Women's Bible Study  
6PM Social Graces Women's Dinner  
6:30PM Choir Rehearsal  
7PM ICIA

**Friday 1/10**  
8AM Mass

**Saturday 1/11**  
3:30PM Reconciliation  
5PM Mass

*Welcome Back UGA  
Students, Faculty and  
Staff!*

## Announcements

### Catholic Center 5K Human Race

#### Registration is open!

Join us for our 47th Annual Human Race on Saturday, February 15 at Oconee Veterans Park. Registration is \$20 with proceeds benefiting campus ministry outreach and activities. Register by January 27th to guarantee a shirt on race day! Other ways to support the 47th Annual 5K Human Race:

- Be a Phantom Runner Sponsor! Phantom runner Sponsors can donate a registration fee for a student to run in their place.
- Be a Sponsor! Sponsors will be recognized on race day. The deadline to become a sponsor is January 27th.
- Volunteer! Email Sr. Uyen-Chi at [admincsa@ccatuga](mailto:admincsa@ccatuga)



Register at: <https://runsignup.com> or scan this QR code

### Sunday Night Casseroles Needed Sunday, January 12

We are asking for casseroles for Sunday Night Dinner on Sunday, January 12. Please deliver to the Catholic Center kitchen by 5PM on January 12. Disposable pans will be available in the CC office in the new year. Thank you so much for helping to nourish our students.

### Moms & Tots

The Moms & Tots group will resume this Wednesday, January 8 at 10AM. All are welcome to join us for fellowship and playtime. For more information, contact Suzie Blaydes at [sacraments@ccatuga.org](mailto:sacraments@ccatuga.org).

### Social Graces January Women's Dinner

The Social Graces Women's Dinner will meet this Thursday, January 9 at 6PM in the Center Hall. All women, 18 and older, are invited. Please rsvp to the Center office by Monday at 5PM.

### Silver Angels Meet January 14

The Silver Angels will meet on Tuesday, January 14, at 12PM in the Center Hall. All those 60 and older (and young at heart) are invited for lunch, fellowship and fun.

### Knights of Columbus Donut Ministry

The Georgia Martyrs Knights of Columbus will have donuts available after both the 8AM & 10:30AM Masses on January 5, 2025. Funds collected from the Donut Ministry are designated for the KOC Wheelchair Ministry.



***“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us”***

Dear Catholic Center Community,  
 Happy Solemnity of Epiphany! The Three Kings arrived at Oasis with bags (actually 2 vanloads) full of your gifts from the Giving Tree. Your generosity brought joy to so many children and families at Oasis and beyond. We want to give thanks to God for the many gifts that God has bestowed on us through supporters and friends like you and through the students and volunteers who are part of this ministry.

This year, with all the sisters around the world, we celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> year of our foundress, Saint Rafaela Maria, entrance into heaven. Oasis is named after her, that is, Oasis Católico Santa Rafaela. To commemorate this anniversary, we inaugurated a new shrine and garden in her honor. We ask that she continues to bless all of our families and benefactors.

This summer, we bid farewell to our dear sister Angela Cordero, who has lovingly served this community for 22 years since its foundation. She is known to many as the “energizer bunny”. She worked quietly and tirelessly behind the scenes on small projects to big ones, with the same fervor and dedication. We ask God to bless her as she returned to Philadelphia to serve in our retreat ministry there.

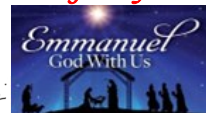
We want to thank each one of you for supporting Oasis. Here are some highlights of 2024:

- Over 260 tutors from UGA and nearby universities volunteered more than 1,990 hours with our After-School Program.
- We distributed over 142,000 pounds of food to 1,230 families to feed 5,412 people.
- We gave away more than 23,000 diapers to babies.
- We distributed over 81,000 eggs.
- We financially supported 26 families with either roof repairs, rental assistance, or utility bills.

We thank God for this opportunity to be “a place of encounter” between those who are underserved and those who desire to serve others.

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, may we become more and more aware of God’s desire “to dwell among us”, in those around us and in the depth of our hearts. May Emmanuel - “God-with-us” – bless our homes, country, and world with His peace and love.

***Merry Christmas & Grace-filled New Year 2025!***



*Sr. Uyen Chi Dang, acj*

*Sr. Margarita Martini*

***We Lift Up in Prayer***

Charlotte & Joel Alesi  
 Sally Allen  
 Judy Balcomb  
 Megan Barton  
 Greg Bickley  
 Peter Bryan  
 Cindy Bullist  
 Grace Burger  
 Grace Byrne  
 Joanne Cabrera  
 Jeanette Campbell  
 Lucille Carberry  
 Mollie Carow  
 Lora Bernstein Cooley  
 Jack Daniels

Patti D’Avella  
 Jeff Donahue  
 Barton Elizabeth  
 Dooling  
 Sylvia Floyd  
 Hersina Gomes  
 Jean Griffith  
 Cheri Griggs  
 Bob Henry  
 Tom Holmes  
 Ryan Hughes  
 Daniel Inman  
 Margaret Jones  
 Victor Kalla  
 Sarah Kurtz

Dan Lackey  
 Doug Landrum  
 Patti Law  
 Marcia Lemmon  
 Michelle Linton  
 Rick Madera  
 Gina Maherka  
 Carol Mazurek  
 Nathan Mills  
 Christine Morris  
 Al Mulhair  
 Rebecca Norris  
 Harry Perrine  
 David & Maura Randol  
 Josh Reams

Lou Richt  
 Sophia Rodriguez  
 Aerial Ross  
 Deborah Scott  
 Cindy Shapland  
 David Simmons  
 Rusty Simmons  
 Bridget Teofilo  
 Alyssa Thomas  
 Gretchen Thomas  
 Bryan Vaughn  
 James Waring  
 Amanda Wershing  
 Robin Yackley

**With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Linda Dube.**

**Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention for January**

**For the right to an education.** Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

***Financial Giving Updates***

Thank you so much for your generous contributions to our offertory throughout the year. Your support of the Catholic Center and our ministries is heartwarming. Thank you for sharing your time, treasure and talent.

December 22, 2024	December 29, 2024
\$16,327.26 - Offertory	\$20,881.00 - Offertory
\$22,506.00 - Donation	\$11,257.59 - Donations
\$7,362.00 - Alms	\$11,738.25 - Alms

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